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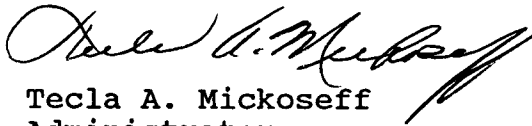
Subject: California Hospital Outcomes Report

Dear Dr. Werdeger:

A review of our data submitted on acute myocardial infarctions for the period 1991-1993 was conducted. Based upon our review, it appears that the site (specific anatomic site of the heart) infarcted was not provided on a number of cases as indicated in our December 1995 response. Since that time, our documentation and coding practices have been revised. Quality control measures are now in place. Data submitted for discharges after July 1996 should meet the State's requirements for inclusion in future studies.

If there are any questions, please call Carlene Boyle,
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Sincerely,



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